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TO : Chief, Geographic Research Area, ORR

DATE: 16 September 1959

FROM : Chief, Intelligence Information Staff, ORR

SUBJECT: OCR Acceptance of Suggested Changes in Forthcoming Intelligence Area-Subject Code

Note: This confirms and extends our recent conversation.

- 1. As I recently mentioned, OCR bought about 90% of G's proposed changes. There remained three points for further inquiry.
- 2. Point I, Provision for specific towns and cities in the Area Classification Code. OCR coders feel this would be too difficult to undertake, though they are keenly aware of the short-comings of the present system. In the course of the discussion, it was pointed out that the present coding system would probably be modified when OCR decided upon their "file system," i.e., Minicard, etc. It was agreed that G's request would be kept in mind when these modifications were made.
- 3. Point II, Handling of Economic Geography Subjects. The main heading will be included, with cross-reference to sub-headings under the appropriate economic subjects. Item (d) will be covered in Chapter IV under General Industry by making certain language changes.
- 4. Point III, Transportation. The main heading will be carried, with cross-reference to most sub-headings under General Transportation. Items (a) and (b), which you were especially interested in, will be found under a miscellaneous sub-heading which is to include all primitive forms of transportation.
- 5. Attached is your original with margin working notes. Be glad to answer any further questions.

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Attachment: as stated